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Attn: Nigel Robinson, Project Officer

Dear Mr. Robinson:

Pursuant to our phone conversation on January 27, 1988, National Gypsum has agreed to analyze the ambient air samples to be collected at the Millington Site by Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM). It should be noted, however, that the samples will be collected according to NIOSH Method 7402 instead of NIOSH Method 7400 which you requested in your comments to the RI Report dated November 24, 1987. This change is due to the fact that samples collected according to NIOSH Method 7400 are for Phase Contrast Microscopy (PCM) analysis and samples collected according to NIOSH Method 7402 are for TEM analysis. Thus, NIOSH Method 7402 is the recommended method for TEM samples. Because this method (NIOSH 7402) is relatively new, it has not yet been published in the NIOSH Manuals. We have requested an advanced copy of the method and will forward it to you as soon as we receive it.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this letter, please contact me at (201) 647-8111. Otherwise, we will assume that you have agreed to the methodology delineated in this letter.

Sincerely,

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